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The Honorable Katharine S. Hayden
Senior United States District Judge
Frank R. Lautenberg US Post Office and Courthouse
1 Federal Square, Room 311
Newark, NJ 07101

RE: United States v. Quadree Smith
Criminal No. 03-844-02 KSH

Dear Judge Hayden:

Please be advised that pursuant to Standing Order 2020-08, the Federal Public Defender's Office has reviewed the *pro se* filing for compassionate release filed by Quadree Smith in Criminal No. 03-844-02.

Our office will not be entering an appearance in this case because the defendant does not appear to fall within the class of people that the Centers for Disease Control considers the most vulnerable to COVID-19. Our office takes no position on whether the defendant is otherwise eligible for compassionate release/reduction of sentence and leaves this question to the Court's discretion.

Should the Court have any questions or need further information, please do not

hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

s/ Maggie F. Moy

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Assistant Federal Public Defender

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